

H.864

Introduced by Representative Yantachka of Charlotte

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: General provisions; State music designations; Music State; Big Heavy  
World

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to designate  
Vermont as a Music State. It further proposes to designate Big Heavy World  
as the nonprofit organization to administer State programs intended to  
encourage the recorded preservation and development of Vermont musical  
compositions and the promotion of Vermont-created music within and beyond  
the borders of the State.

An act relating to designations related to music

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 1 V.S.A § 520 is added to read:

§ 520. MUSIC STATE

The State of Vermont is designated as a Music State in recognition that the  
citizens of Vermont take great pride in the State's musical artists, music-  
centered economic initiatives, music institutions, and the musical performances  
of diverse genres that occur throughout the State.

1       Sec. 2. 16 V.S.A. chapter 1, subchapter 6B is added to read:

2                               Subchapter 6B. Big Heavy World

3       § 129. PURPOSE OF BIG HEAVY WORLD

4       The purpose of Big Heavy World is to:

5               (1) increase the promotion of all aspects of musical life in Vermont;

6               (2) promote the preservation of music composed in Vermont;

7               (3) create economic opportunities for Vermont musicians and related  
8       industries; and

9               (4) encourage music education in an environment that is substance free.

10      § 130. DESIGNATION

11      Big Heavy World is designated as the nonprofit organization in the State to  
12      administer State-funded musical activities related to:

13              (1) composition;

14              (2) education;

15              (3) preservation; and

16              (4) promotion.

17      Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

18      This act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.